training program specified in §236.923(a)(1) verifying the adequacy of the training material and its validity with respect to current railroads products and operations.

(b) What training records are required? Employers shall retain records which designate persons who are qualified under this section until new designations are recorded or for at least one year after such persons leave applicable service. These records shall be kept in a designated location and be available for inspection and replication by FRA and FRA-certified State inspectors.

# § 236.925 Training specific to control office personnel.

Any person responsible for issuing or communicating mandatory directives in territory where products are or will be in use must be trained in the following areas, as applicable:

- (a) Instructions concerning the interface between the computer-aided dispatching system and the train control system, with respect to the safe movement of trains and other on-track equipment;
- (b) Railroad operating rules applicable to the train control system, including provision for movement and protection of roadway workers, unequipped trains, trains with failed or cut-out train control onboard systems, and other on-track equipment; and
- (c) Instructions concerning control of trains and other on-track equipment in case the train control system fails, including periodic practical exercises or simulations, and operational testing under part 217 of this chapter to ensure the continued capability of the personnel to provide for safe operations under the alternative method of operation.

#### § 236.927 Training specific to locomotive engineers and other operating personnel.

(a) What elements apply to operating personnel? Training provided under this subpart for any locomotive engineer or other person who participates in the operation of a train in train control territory must be defined in the PSP and the following elements must be addressed:

- (1) Familiarization with train control equipment onboard the locomotive and the functioning of that equipment as part of the system and in relation to other onboard systems under that person's control;
- (2) Any actions required of the onboard personnel to enable, or enter data to, the system, such as consist data, and the role of that function in the safe operation of the train;
- (3) Sequencing of interventions by the system, including pre-enforcement notification, enforcement notification, penalty application initiation and post-penalty application procedures;
- (4) Railroad operating rules applicable to the train control system, including provisions for movement and protection of any unequipped trains, or trains with failed or cut-out train control onboard systems and other ontrack equipment;
- (5) Means to detect deviations from proper functioning of onboard train control equipment and instructions regarding the actions to be taken with respect to control of the train and notification of designated railroad personnel; and
- (6) Information needed to prevent unintentional interference with the proper functioning of onboard train control equipment.
- (b) How must locomotive engineer training be conducted? Training required under this subpart for a locomotive engineer, together with required records, must be integrated into the program of training required by part 240 of this chapter.
- (c) What requirements apply to full automatic operation? The following special requirements apply in the event a train control system is used to effect full automatic operation of the train:
- (1) The PSP must identify all safety hazards to be mitigated by the locomotive engineer.
- (2) The PSP must address and describe the training required with provisions for the maintenance of skills proficiency. As a minimum, the training program must:
- (i) As described in §236.923(a)(2), develop failure scenarios which incorporate the safety hazards identified in the PSP, including the return of train operations to a fully manual mode;

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- (ii) Provide training, consistent with §236.923(a), for safe train operations under all failure scenarios and identified safety hazards that affect train operations:
- (iii) Provide training, consistent with §236.923(a), for safe train operations under manual control; and
- (iv) Consistent with §236.923(a), ensure maintenance of manual train operating skills by requiring manual starting and stopping of the train for an appropriate number of trips and by one or more of the following methods:
- (A) Manual operation of a train for a 4-hour work period;
- (B) Simulated manual operation of a train for a minimum of 4 hours in a Type I simulator as required; or
- (C) Other means as determined following consultation between the railroad and designated representatives of the affected employees and approved by the FRA. The PSP must designate the appropriate frequency when manual operation, starting, and stopping must be conducted, and the appropriate frequency of simulated manual operation.

## § 236.929 Training specific to roadway workers.

- (a) How is training for roadway workers to be coordinated with part 214? Training required under this subpart for a roadway worker must be integrated into the program of instruction required under part 214, subpart C of this chapter ("Roadway Worker Protection"), consistent with task analysis requirements of §236.923. This training must provide instruction for roadway workers who provide protection for themselves or roadway work groups.
- (b) What subject areas must roadway worker training include? (1) Instruction for roadway workers must ensure an understanding of the role of processorbased signal and train control equipment in establishing protection for roadway workers and their equipment.
- (2) Instruction for roadway workers must ensure recognition of processor-based signal and train control equipment on the wayside and an understanding of how to avoid interference with its proper functioning.
- (3) Instructions concerning the recognition of system failures and the pro-

vision of alternative methods of ontrack safety in case the train control system fails, including periodic practical exercises or simulations and operational testing under part 217 of this chapter to ensure the continued capability of roadway workers to be free from the danger of being struck by a moving train or other on-track equipment.

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### §236.1001 Purpose and scope.

- (a) This subpart prescribes minimum, performance-based safety standards for PTC systems required by 49 U.S.C. 20157, this subpart, or an FRA order, including requirements to ensure that the development, functionality, architecture, installation, implementation, inspection, testing, operation, maintenance, repair, and modification of those PTC systems will achieve and maintain an acceptable level of safety. This subpart also prescribes standards to ensure that personnel working with, and affected by, safety-critical PTC system related products receive appropriate training and testing.
- (b) Each railroad may prescribe additional or more stringent rules, and other special instructions, that are not inconsistent with this subpart.
- (c) This subpart does not exempt a railroad from compliance with any requirement of subparts A through H of this part or parts 233, 234, and 235 of this chapter, unless:
- (1) It is otherwise explicitly excepted by this subpart; or
- (2) The applicable PTCSP, as defined under §236.1003 and approved by FRA under §236.1015, provides for such an exception per §236.1013.

### § 236.1003 Definitions.

- (a) Definitions contained in subparts G and H of this part apply equally to this subpart.
- (b) The following definitions apply to terms used only in this subpart unless otherwise stated:

After-arrival mandatory directive means an authority to occupy a track